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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: RAYMOND F. GESTELAND, )  
et al. )  
TITLE: FINDING ACTIVE )  
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ARTIFICIAL NEURAL )  
NETWORKS ) PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R.  
§1.136(a)  
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that the shortened statutory period which was set for responding to the Office Action dated February 3, 2006, be extended for three months until August 3, 2006. Submitted herewith pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(3) is the fee of \$1,020.00 as required. Please

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Also submitted herewith is an Amendment. It is believed that entry of the enclosed Amendment will place the application in condition for allowance.

DATED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,



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